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R E S P O N S E

Hon. Commissioner for Patents

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated August 6, 2004, the following remarks are made:

In deference to the election requirement on page 2 of the Office action for the above-identified application, applicants elect group I, the species of Figs. 1 and 2, for prosecution at this time.

The following claims read on the elected species of Figs. 1 and 2: claims 1-7, 9-11, and 13-19.

Please note that Figs. 5A-5G illustrate the production of a sandwich configuration of the thermogenerator 2 and the peltier element 1 common to both embodiments shown in Figs. 1 and 2 and Figs. 3 and 4.

In light of the foregoing, the early issuance of an Action on the merits, and the allowance of all of the claims are solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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